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	MEMORANDUM FOR:	Dire	ctor of Joint Computer Support	
	SUBJECT :	Conc RAPI	urrence for Consultant Services for D System	STATSPEC
STATSPEC	REFERENCES :	(a)	My memo for D/JCS, Concurrence in Acquisition of RAPID System, dtd 26 Jun 74, with concurrence by D/JCS dtd 26 Jun 74	
		(b)	Draft Request to Procurement Division for Services, undated	
		(c)	Copy of unsolicited proposal dtd 12 June 75	STATINTL
STATINTL	a contract services for the RAPID system bei	test ng de Cali	ence is requested in my initiating action for to provide consultant ing, installation and acceptance of the veloped and manufactured by fornia. In reference (a), you concurred in action for procurement of the system.	STATSPEC STATINTL
	relevant documen of installation preparation and a and carry out far	tation and possible monitori ilure repor	in reference (b), would review n for the purpose of advising on the credibility erformance schedules, participate in the oring of functional and system testing, prepare mode and recovery testing, and write an t. The company's preliminary bid is \$56,792, tached.	STATINTL
STATSPEC STATSPEC	installation of venture into auto keystone of liably support reclock responsibility.	this : omatic ove: eal-t: litie:	recall from discussions last year, with system will be making its first major on. When completed, the system will be the reseas and Headquarters operations and must reime operations in response round-these to the Intelligence Community. The system has measured steps, benefiting from models, advice	STATSPEC

STATINTL	and participation of other contractors and consultants and many people within the Agency, especially in OJCS. The system is developmental for both the contractor, The company has a substantial vested interest in the successful completion of the project (fixed price of \$942,500, about \$750,000 less than actual cost of development).	STATSPEC
	4. Our interest in obtaining third-party assistance in testing and accepting the system is dictated by a number of considerations:	
	a. Although the contractor has shown good faith in its efforts to date to build a satisfactory system, performance has been poor in the area of documentation. The company has been laggard in supplying schedules and progress reports and the papers that have been furnished have been sketchy and incomplete. It has yet to furnish detailed installation, cutover, testing and training plans and we have misgivings about its ability to do a proper job in these areas without substantial input on our part.	
	b. Our own resources to meet this need are inadequate. We are forming a small systems staff (including personnel on rotation from OJCS), but the two staffers now on duty are heavily involved in learning the architecture and programming of the system they will eventually manage. The system manager has done a good deal of spadework in outlining acceptance test objectives, but we do not feel that he is in a position to take full responsibility for system testing and acceptance without experienced help from outside	STATSPEC
	c. Although GJCS provided invaluable assistance in the system specification and proposal evaluation stages of RAPID, we deem it unlikely that OJCS has the available resources to provide the support we need at this stage. The system is building employs the company's own hardware and software and embodies a design which, as far as we know, has no counterpart within the Agency.	STATINTL
	5. Delivery of the first elements of the system is imminent. I would appreciate your earliest response to this proposal.	
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Attachments: ATT A - Memo of Concurrence in Acquisitions of RAPID System ATT B - Request to Procurement Division for Services (Form 2420) ATT C - Proposal for Test Support	STATSPEC STATINTL
CONCURRENCE:	
Director of Joint Computer Support Date	